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SUBJECT: DEPARTMENT PRESS BRIEFING

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FOR YOUR INFORMATION AND GUIDANCE FOLLOWING ARE EXCER97S FROM DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN'S PRESS BRIEFING JULY 29, 1974:

QUOTE: Q. WHEN DOES THE SECRETARY SEE ALLON?

A. ON ALLON, HE WILL SEE HIM TOMORROW. I HAVE THE DETAILS OF IT HERE. THERE'S A MEETING AT 3 O'CLOCK TOMORROW AFTERNOON HERE IN THE DEPARTMENT, AND THEN AGAIN ON WEDNESDAY THERE'LL BE A WORKING LUNCHEON AT 1 O'CLOCK IN THE DEPARTMENT. AND THE SECRETARY WILL ALSO ATTEND A DINNER TOMORROW NIGHT GIVEN BY AMBASSADOR DINITZ.

AND THEN WE UNDERSTAND THAT THE FOREIGN MINISTER WILL BE SEEING SELRETARY SCLESINGER ON WEAY. AYAND THEN TREASURY SECRETARY SIMON ON THURSDAY. I DON'T HAVE THE DETAILS ON THAT, BUT YOU CAN GET IT FROM THE RESPECTIVE DEPARTMENTS.

Q. UPON HIS ARRIVAL YESTERDAY, MR. ALLON STATED THAT HE HAD NO PREFERENCES IN REGARD TO THE NEXT STAGE--WHETHER IT WOULD BE WITH JORDAN OR WITH EGYPT. DO YOU SEE THIS

## AS A CHANGE IN THE ISRAELI ATTITUDE?

A. ON THIS WHOLE QUESTION OF NEGOTIATIONS IN THE MIDDLE EAST, THE NEXT STAGE, ETC., THE SECRETARY IS NOW GOING TO BEGIN, AS WE ALL KNOW, A SERIES OF CONSULTATIONS, FIRST WITH FOREIGN MINISTER ALLON. AND THEN I BELIEVE FOREIGN MINISTER RAFA'I OF JORDAN IS COMING, AND THEN LATER FOREIGN MINISTER FAHMI OF EGYPT, AND THEN HE EXPECTS TO MEET WITH A SYRIAN REPRESENTATIVE LATER IN AUGUST. AND I THINK DURING THIS PERIOD NO USEFUL PURPOSE IS GOING TO BE SERVED BY SPECULATING ON ISRAELI'S POSITION ON THIS SUBJECT OR THAT SUBJECT OR JORDAN'S POSITION ON THIS SUBJECT UNCLASSIFIED

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OR THAT SUBJECT, OR OUR POSITION ON THIS SUBJECT OR THAT SUBJECT. IT'S A VERY DELICATE SITUATION, AS WE ALL KNOW, AND I THINK WE'RE GOING TO JUST, SHALL WE SAY, TRY AND HAVE SOME QUIET DIPLOMACY HERE. I REALLY DON'T WANT TO COMMENT, FOR THOSE REASONS. END QUOTE. INGERSOLL

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